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To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit smoking on the premises of any facility of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. WENSTRUP introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON SMOKING IN FACILITIES OF**  
4 **THE VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.**

5 (a) PROHIBITION.—Section 1715 of title 38, United  
6 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 **“§ 1715. Prohibition on smoking in facilities of the**  
2 **Veterans Health Administration**

3 “(a) PROHIBITION.—No person (including any vet-  
4 eran, patient, resident, employee of the Department, con-  
5 tractor, or visitor) may smoke on the premises of any facil-  
6 ity of the Veterans Health Administration.

7 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 “(1) The term ‘smoke’ includes—

9 “(A) the use of cigarettes, cigars, pipes,  
10 and any other combustion or heating of to-  
11 bacco; and

12 “(B) the use of any electronic nicotine de-  
13 livery system, including electronic or e-ciga-  
14 rettes, vape pens, and e-cigars.

15 “(2) The term ‘facility of the Veterans Health  
16 Administration’ means any land or building (includ-  
17 ing any medical center, nursing home, domiciliary  
18 facility, outpatient clinic, or center that provides re-  
19 adjustment counseling) that is—

20 “(A) under the jurisdiction of the Depart-  
21 ment of Veterans Affairs;

22 “(B) under the control of the Veterans  
23 Health Administration; and

24 “(C) not under the control of the General  
25 Services Administration.”.

26 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

1 (1) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections  
2 at the beginning of chapter 17 of such title is  
3 amended by striking the item relating to section  
4 1715 and inserting the following:

“1715. Prohibition on smoking in facilities of the Veterans Health Administra-  
tion.”.

5 (2) VETERANS HEALTH CARE ACT OF 1992.—  
6 Section 526 of the Veterans Health Care Act of  
7 1992 (Public Law 102–585) is repealed.